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SUBJECT: ALTAMIRANO VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA

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1. SUMMARY. SECGEN SOCIALIST PARTY CHILE CARLOS ALTAMIRANO VISITED YUGOSLAVIA FEB 20-27 AS HEAD OF DELEGATION OF FRONT FOR NATIONAL UNITY. HE WAS PERMITTED TO USE LOCAL PRESS AND TV AS SOUNDING BOARD FOR ATTACKS ON WHAT HE SAID WERE US PLANS TO DOMINATE ALL OF LA. WE ARE SETTING RECORD STRAIGHT WITH FOREIGN SECRETARIAT AND EXPRESSING UNHAPPINESS WITH GOY'S CONCEPT OF HOSPITALITY - ACCORDING FOREIGN VISITOR FACILITIES TO SPREAD LIES ABOUT A THIRD COUNTRY. END SUMMARY.

2. ALTAMIRANO AND HIS FRONT FOR NATIONAL UNITY DELEGATION (INCLUDING CHILEAN CP POLITBURO MEMBER VOLODIA TEITELBOIM AND EDUARDO AQUEVEDO, DEPSEC OF POPULAR ACTION MOVEMENT) WERE GUESTS OF MASS ORGANIZATION, SOCIALIST LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ALLIANCE OF WORKING PEOPLE OF YUGOSLAVIA (SAWPY). DELEGA-

TION MET VARIOUS TIMES WITH ALL TOP SAWPY LEADERSHIP, CALLED ON YUGOSLAV PARTY'S EXECUTIVE BUREAU SECRETARY STANE DOLANC AND VICE PRESIDENT OF STATE PRESIDENCY MITJA RIBOCIC, ATTENDED YOUTH RALLY IN BELGRADE EXPRESSING SOLIDARITY WITH CHILEAN "PROGRESSIVE FORCES", AND TRAVELED TO SARAJEVO FOR ANOTHER SOLIDARITY RALLY.

3. BUT APPARENT IMPORTANCE FOR ALTAMIRANO OF THIS VISIT WAS OPPORTUNITY IT AFFORDED TO USE MEDIA SOUNDING BOARD FOR BITTER ATTACKS ON CHILEAN JUNTA, ON ALLEGED US INVOLVEMENT IN COUP IN CHILE, AND ON ALLEGED US PLANS TO DOMINATE ALL OF LA. IN SARAJEVO RADIO-TV INTERVIEW HE STATED "FUTURE OF LA LIES IN THE GREAT STRUGGLE OF ITS PEOPLE AGAINST NORTH AMERICAN IMPERIALISM" - NOT AGAINST PEOPLE OF US BUT AGAINST CONSORTIA AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH AMERICAN IMPERIALISM. LATER, BACK IN BELGRADE, HE SAID CHILEANS WERE STARVING FOR FIRST TIME IN THEIR HISTORY AND OVER 80 PERCENT OF POPULATION OF CHILE CONDEMNED MILITARY-FASCIST JUNTA. HE SAID BANISHMENT OF LUIS CORVALAN TO HARSH CLIMATE OF SOUTH CHILE MEANT SLOW DEATH FOR MAN OF HIS AGE AND CONDITION. ALTAMIRANO SAID AN INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE CRIMES COMMITTED IN CHILE WOULD BE SET UP IN HELSINKI ABOUT MID-MARCH.

4. BIGGEST BROADSIDE AGAINST US CAME IN INTERVIEW GIVEN TO LEADING BELGRADE DAILY POLITIKA FEB 27. ALTAMIRANO SAID CHILE WAS NOT ONLY COUNTRY TO SUFFER MILITARY COUP FOR WHICH US RESPONSIBLE: BOLIVIA AND URUGUAY HAD ALSO BEEN VICTIMS. NEXT TARGETS IN US PLAN FOR DOMINATION OF ALL LA WERE PANAMA AND PERU. IT WAS APPARENT AT MEXICO CITY CONFERENCE (OF OAS), HE SAID, THAT US HAD NOT GIVEN UP PLANS OF DOMINATION. DIALOGUE WITH US ON LEVEL OF EQUALITY WOULD BE POSSIBLE ONLY WHEN LA HAS ACHIEVED

UNITY; THEN IMPERIALIST INFLUENCE WOULD BE WEAKENED, LARGE MULTINATIONAL COMPANIES LIKE ITT WOULD NOT BE SO STRONG.

5. CHARGE WILL TAKE EARLY OCCASION TO CALL AT APPROPRIATE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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LEVEL IN FSFA TO SET RECORD STRAIGHT AND TO EXPRESS OUR UNHAPPINESS WITH GOY'S CONCEPT OF HOSPITALITY - TO ACCORD TO A VISITOR FROM ABROAD (IN THIS CASE EXILED OFFICIAL OF POLITICAL PARTY) OFFICIAL AND SEMI-OFFICIAL FACILITIES TO BROADCAST LIES IMPUGNING POLICIES OF A THIRD COUNTRY, COUNTRY WITH WITH YUGOSLAVIA HAS GOOD RELATIONS. CHARGE WILL NOTE SUCH ACTIVITY CLEARLY NOT IN SPIRIT OF YUGOSLAV PRESS LAW (ALTHOUGH NOT EXPRESSLY

FORBIDDEN THEREUNDER).
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